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SUBJECT: CUBAN POSITION ON PUERTO RICO

REF: HAVANA 1819 (NOTAL)

1. DEPARTMENT WAS STRUCK BY CASTRO'S REMARKS ON PUERTO RICO REPORTED PARA 4, REFTEL DURING INFORMAL DISCUSSION SESSION WITH VISITING US MAYORS. OUR UNDERSTANDING OF CUBAN POSITION ON PUERTO RICO IS THAT CUBA SUPPORTS PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE AND WOULD CONTINUE TO DO SO AS LONG AS ONE SINGLE PUERTO RICAN CONTINUED TO SUPPORT THIS CAUSE. CASTRO'S REPORTED STATEMENT THAT CUBA WOULD ACCEPT "ANY STATUS CHOSEN BY PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE" WOULD APPEAR TO BE A SIGNIFICANT SHIFT AWAY FROM PREVIOUS POSITION.

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2. DEPARTMENT WOULD WELCOME USINT HAVANA'S COMMENTS ON THIS SUBJECT. SPECIFICALLY, WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHETHER CASTRO'S REMARKS ACTUALLY INDICATE A POSSIBLE SHIFT IN CUBAN POSITION OR WHETHER CIRCUMSTANCES OF MEETING AND CASTRO'S EFFORT TO CREATE A FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE CAUSED HIM TO GLOSS OVER HIGHLY-CONTENTIOUS ASPECT OF PUERTO RICAN SITUATION. VANCE

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